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PUBLISHER'S MESSAGE

by June Owens

Greetings!

Welcome to the Inaugural Edition of Hues of Blue! Words alone cannot express how happy I am to have written that and how happy I am that you are reading this edition. Hues of Blue has been a concept in the making for some time now as the thought to do this came to me a while ago.

In 2016, I had the great opportunity to serve as a Fellow in the Coalitions Department in the Iowa Headquarters for Secretary Hillary Clinton. It was during that time I thought I wish there was some form of communication that would help connect Democratic Candidates with various diverse, marginalized and underrepresented individuals whether that was through a Podcast or Newsletter or something. At that time, the idea had no name to it and wasn't exactly fleshed out.

Well, 2016 came and went and now fast forward to 2019. Although time has passed, the idea to develop a communication has never left my head to do and so now, here it is—with a name and everything—Hues of Blue!

Hues of Blue is a monthly communication that provides a bridge of communication between Democratic individuals, elected officials, campaigns and organizations to diverse, underrepresented individuals throughout the United States. You are reading the Greater Des Moines Edition. I am proud that the Inaugural Edition is the Greater Des Moines Edition as Des Moines is my hometown.

Hues of Blue will be a great way for various communities to be more informed about the work of various individuals, elected officials, campaigns and organizations and will provide individuals, elected officials, campaigns and organizations the opportunity to connect directly with diverse constituency groups year round. Hues of Blue will help raise the visibility of important issues as well as help share information to activate communities and mobilize voters.

Hues of Blue will provide opportunities for Democratic individuals & groups to discuss not only politically related content, but also human interest-related stories to help diverse audiences/communities get to know them on a more personal level. Various communication opportunities will take various forms including, but not limited to: E-Magazines, Social Media opportunities (e.g. Facebook Live events, etc.), Town Halls and Pod Casts to name a few.



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Please be sure to share this edition with others as well as give us a Like on Facebook. Please stay tuned for future communications and do not hesitate to reach out with content ideas, event information or just to send a friendly hello.

There are so many people I would like to thank for helping to support this Inaugural Edition. I want to thank the wonderfully creative Lauren McElmeel for her YeoWOMAN's job with helping to produce this publication. Thank you to the amazingly creative Elise Sturgeon. I am thankful for all that you do!

Many thanks to my family and friends for your words of encouragement, love and kindness. Last and certainly not least, thank YOU for reading Hues of Blue! Let's continue to march forward as we continue to turn our Country Blue.

Happy reading!

June Owens



VOTING IN THE 2019 ELECTIONS

Please vote on November 5, 2019! Polls are open from 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

To find your precinct and polling location please visit the Iowa Secretary of State's website.

When voting, please be sure to bring ID with you. Per the Iowa Secretary of State's website, here are answers to a few frequently asked questions about IDs and Voting in Iowa:

Do voters have to show ID at the polls? Iowa voters are required to show an Iowa driver's license or non-operator ID, U.S. passport, U.S. military ID or veteran's ID, tribal ID/document or Iowa voter ID card at the polls before they vote. A voter without one of the listed forms of ID may have the voter's identity attested to by another registered voter in the precinct or may prove identity and residence using Election Day Registration documents. Voters without the necessary ID or an attester will be offered a provisional ballot and can provide ID up until the time of the county canvass of votes (Monday after election day for Primary and General Elections).

What about voters who don't have an ID? Any registered voter who does not have a valid driver's license or non-operator's ID issued by the Iowa Department of Transportation will be issued a Voter ID Card for free, automatically, in the mail. This also applies to anyone who registers to vote in the future. Upon receipt of the Voter ID Card, it should be immediately signed. Obtaining the Voter ID Card does not require any further documentation or action by the voter; voters simply need to be registered to vote in the county where they live.

ELECTION DAY EVENTS

Compiled by June Owens

Matt Blake and Bridget Carberry Montgomery

Cancun Grill and Cantina 3855 121st St, Urbandale November 5, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

Chelsea Chism Vargas

VFW No. 731 1511 South Union, Des Moines November 5, 2019, 8:00 p.m.

Ryan Crane and Erin Cubit

Grumpy Goat Tavern 6240 Mills Civic Pkwy, West Des Moines November 5, 2019, 7:30 to 9:30

Mayor Frank Cownie

Star Bar 2811 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines November 5, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

City Councilman Joe Gatto

Baratta's 2320 S Union St, Des Moines November 5, 2019, 8:00 p.m.

Rebecca Haroldson

The Beer House 4810 NW 86th St, Urbandale November 5, 2019, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Senator Jack Hatch

Hatch for Mayor Headquarters 333 E. Grand Ave, Suite 101, Des Moines November 5, 2019, 8:00 p.m.

City Councilman Skip Moore

Biachi's Hilltop Restaurant 2820 Hubbell Ave, Des Moines November 5, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Jeff Perry

Uptown Garage Brewing 305 SW Walnut St., Ankeny November 5, 2019, 8:00 p.m.

Suresh Reddy and Scott Syreka

Doc's Lounge 8805 Chambery Blvd, Johnston November 5, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

City Councilwoman Linda Westergaard

Bright Grandview Golf Course 2401 E 29th St, Des Moines November 5, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

by Frank Cownie

TELL US ABOUT YOUR START IN POLITICS.

My first foray into politics was as a member of the Des Moines Plan and Zoning Commission. As a commission, we helped create a new blueprint for the city, called the Des Moines 2020 plan. We held dozens of meetings to get input from citizens. I decided to run for City Council, when the council at that time voted against the Des Moines 2020 plan because, they said, it included too much citizen input. That was the last straw for me. A democratic government must take input from its citizens—it is vital. So, after that, I decided to run for City Council. After a term on City Council, the mayor's position came open and I decided to run because I wanted to help build a better city for our children and grandchildren.

WHAT MADE YOU WANT TO SERVE IN POLITICS?

I was born and raised in Des Moines and my father, who ran a local business, told me if I wanted to do business in this city, I would have to find ways to get involved and give back. I took his advice to heart. First, I got involved with Downtown Inc., a business group that aimed to improve the city's core. Then, I served on the Plan and Zoning Commission before being elected to the City Council and as Mayor. My father's words still motivate me. I believe anyone who find success in our city has a duty to get involved and give back. That is why I attend hundreds of neighborhoods meetings and community events every year. I think it is important for a mayor to be involved in his community, not just in election season, but all the time.

NAME A FEW PEOPLE WHO HAVE INSPIRED AND/OR MENTORED YOU IN YOUR CAREER, IN POLITICS, IN LIFE OR OTHERWISE?

There are too many to name, but here are few that come to mind: Charles T. Cownie, my father who motivated me to go into business and public service; President Barack Obama, who was generous enough to invite me to participate in the White House Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience, and who led our country with grace and dignity; Preston Daniels, former Des Moines mayor, who was a dedicated leader for our city; Yogesh Shah, of Broadlawns Medical Center, who has been a great mentor and friend to me, helping me develop environmentally conscious and age-friendly policies for the city of Des Moines; Willie Stevenson Glanton, a former state representative, who broke barriers and led with courage.





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WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR MAYOR?

When I first ran for mayor, Des Moines was in a dark place. People called the city "Dead Moines" and we were literally looking for money to turn the streetlights back on. We've come a long way. Not only are the streetlights on, but Des Moines has been named a top city to live, work, and raise a family. It would be easy to call this good enough and ride off into the sunset. But our work is not finished. Last year, voters approved a local option sales tax that will provide critical funding for city services. We promised voters that if they approved the sales tax, we would use that money to improve neighborhoods, repair streets, and lower property taxes. I'm running for reelection because I think it is essential that we fulfill that promise. Under my leadership, the city will make good on that promise. We are drastically increasing spending on street repairs. We are investing \$50 million in a neighborhood improvement pilot program, in addition to ramped up blight removal, flood control, and mental health services. And we just lowered the city's property tax rate by 60 cents per \$1,000. I'm running for mayor to keep the city moving forward.

WE ALL HAVE SOMETHING TO BE THANKFUL FOR. TELL US WHAT YOU ARE THANKFUL FOR AND WHY.

I am thankful for our dedicated civil servants and city staff. While the Mayor and City Council set the course for the city, our employees row the boat. They are dedicated and hardworking people who make our city a better place. From librarians, to firefighters, to plow-drivers, our civil servants ensure Des Moines remains a great place to live, work, and raise a family.





by Jack Hatch

TELL US ABOUT YOUR START IN POLITICS.

I began my political career in 1985 when I was elected to the House of Representatives and in 2002, I was elected to the Iowa State Senate and served until 2013 when I resigned to run for Governor of Iowa. I served as the state director for U.S Senator Tom Harkin and served as board member for Des Moines Water Works in 1998, Des Moines Public Housing from 1996 to 1997, and Children & Families of Iowa from 1980 to 1984.

WHAT MADE YOU WANT TO SERVE IN POLITICS?

At a young age I developed a passion for social justice and knew I wanted a career in politics. I wanted to help make a positive change. I attended Drake University for both my undergraduate and master's degrees, receiving my MPA in 1973. I guess you could say my first "race" was for student body president, which I won in 1971.



Robert Kennedy.





JACK HATCH is running for mayor because he wants to get us back on track.



Drinking Water

- Jack's number one priority is protecting our drinking water.
- As a state legislator, he led the creation of the largest environmental clean-up program in Iowa which eliminated groundwater contamination caused by leaking underground gasoline tanks.
- He will fight to keep Des Moines Water Works under city control, and try to make sure the Des Moines water supply is the cleanest in the state.

Gun Violence

- Jack will work to reduce gun violence, increase community policing and modernize the police force with cutting edge technologies.
- In the state legislature, Jack took on the N.R.A and sponsored legislation for universal background checks in Iowa and voted to stop those convicted of domestic violence from possessing firearms.

Health Care and **Mental Health Crisis**

- In the Iowa Senate, Jack authored the expansion of Medicaid, created the Community Health Collaborative Network, and successfully led the effort to expand health care coverage to thirty thousand lowa children.
- As mayor, Jack will tackle the mental health care crisis in Des Moines and will continue to tackle the issue of children's health care coverage.

Please contact us with your thoughts and ideas or sign up to volunteer! We'd love to hear from you!



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WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR MAYOR?

I started thinking about running two years ago when the current mayor was silent as legislators voted to dismantled the Des Moines Water Works. Mayor Cownie decided not to protect our drinking water when he passed on the vote. I see the future of Des Moines, especially water quality, "being blurred" without strong leadership.

It's really about priorities. Downtown is thriving while the neighborhoods are being forgotten. Despite the fact we are paying higher property taxes and face rising housing costs, potholes continue to plague our city, crumbling infrastructure is being neglected, and schools are in desperate need of repairs. Cownie is the longest serving mayor in Iowa and it's time for a change in leadership with new eyes, new ideas, and attention to all the neighbors.

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I am grateful for the life I have and the abundance in it.





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